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SUBJECT: A/S SULLIVAN AND PDAS KELLY LUNCH WITH CHILEAN BUSINESS LEADERS ON NEW TRADE INITIATIVE (PATHWAYS)

Classified By: Ambassador Paul E. Simons. Reason 1.4 (b) and (d).

- 11. (C) Summary. A/S Sullivan and PDAS Kelly met with Chilean business leaders August 22 to brief them on U.S. economic engagement in the We U.S. Focused on Economic Engagement and a New Initiative
- 12. (U) Ambassador Simons hosted a lunch in honor of EEB A/S Sullivan and WHA PDAS Kelly with business leaders in Chile on August 22. Other U.
- 13. (C) A/S Sullivan opened the lunch by citing the recent period of achievement in promoting and negotiating Free Trade Agreements (FTA,s) in
- 14. (C) Alicia Barcena, Executive Secretary ECLAC, asked how the USG planned to highlight the importance of trade as a tool for development wi P-4: U.S. Exploring Investment and Service Chapters
- 15. (SBU) A/S Sullivan opened the lunch to further questions. Hernan Somerville, President of the Association of Banks and Financial Institution U.S. Brazil: Economic Engagement But No Free Trade
- 16. (SBU) Osvaldo Rosales, ECLCAC Director of the International Trade and Integration Division, inquired about the prospect of free trade with Update on Colombia and Panama FTA,s
- 17. (SBU) Eliodoro Matte, Chairman of the Center for Public Studies, asked for an update on the Colombia and Panama FTA,s pending before the U. Venezuela: Self-Selecting Out of Economic Engagement
- 18. (SBU) Hernan Somerville asked about the economic importance of Venezuela in the hemisphere. A/S Sullivan emphasized that despite provocat Energy: Global Picture and Chile,s Problems
- 19. (SBU) Bruno Philippi, President of SOFOFA, asked for an update on the impact of soaring energy costs around the world. A/S Sullivan believ
- 110. (SBU) Philippi opined that he did not see any real results coming from U.S. efforts. A/S Sullivan respectfully disagreed, noting there w
  111. (SBU) Eliodoro Matte noted Chile was in a bind over whether to choose coal or hydro-power as the best way to diversify. He asked what the
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112. (SBU) Osvaldo Rosales asked for U.S. thinking on biofuels, effect on food prices in the global economy. A/S Sullivan replied that the c

113. (SBU) Alicia Barcena noted Brazil was calling for an international summit on biofuels in November. She thought it was a great opportunit

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- 114. (SBU) MatteoBudinich, President of AMCHAM, noted the U.S. and Chile had a strong economic partnership thanks to their FTA, but wondered China, s Role in the Global Economy
- 115. (SBU) E/Pol Counselor noted China,s economy was growing at between 8-9% per year and asked A/S Sullivan for his view of China,s role in the
- 116. (C) A/S Sullivan inquired about the Chilean experience with Chinese companies. He noted U.S. companies brought good corporate practices w
- 117. (SBU) A/S Sullivan said that he traveled to China frequently and encouraged Chinese investment abroad. Somerville noted that with new Sove
- $\P18.$  (U) This cable has been cleared by A/S Sullivan and PDAS Kelly.

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